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ond-class matter.ITEMS ABOUT THAT BIG  
WISE COUNTY FAIR

This is a special invitation to you. Come to the fair every day and don't forget the wife and children. No objection to you bringing your sweetheart either, if you haven't the wife and children.

The fair ground is a thing of beauty and joy forever. Don't take my word for it, come and see. Unsightly trees are being removed, white wash is going on plentifully and the grounds are being touched up generally without regard to expense.

A new addition to the grand stand is now under construction. This will raise the seating capacity to over a thousand. So grand stand room for a thousand and standing room for forty thousand more within the ground limits makes is within range of possibility to take care of the people who are expected to attend the coming fair, Sept. 16 to 20.

The comfort of the people during the fair will be one of the special aims this year. Among other things contemplated along that line will be special sanitary and convenient water arrangements.

Remember that the Wise County Fair will be the last opportunity to see a great time until the Fourth of July next year. Attend the five full days and nights and then go into winter quarters, if you like, take your skins before a roaring, cheerful fire, talk of the happy time you had at the fair and fully resolve in your heart that you will never miss another Wise County Fair as long as you live.

Bring something to the fair—help make it bigger. Too many folks say, "Oh, it's not nice enough," or "It's not good enough to take to the fair." That's just the point, learn to make it good or nice enough, if it isn't already. Bring what ever products you might have to the fair and compare with things brought by the other fellow. Yours might be better than you think. Great fairs are not built up by the kind of spirit that says "It's not nice enough, etc." You can't lose by patronizing your fair—and you stand a great chance to gain.

The Amusement program of the fair this year is far the greatest ever planned here. Every attraction will be of the highest class. Everybody in the county knows the kind of baseball we are having now—a day in this section—just as good as you see anywhere. The motorcycle racers guarantee to make a five mile run in less than six minutes. There is every assurance of the greatest horse-racing contest ever seen in the south-west. More horses than ever before and

better horses are expected. Perhaps the greatest attraction of all will be the flying program as carried out by Ruth Law. No doubt but what she is the greatest attraction of the kind in the world today. Don't doubt her coming—it's a fact, a real, sure enough, pon my hon- or its so fact. The only thing that will prevent her coming is sickness, death, train wrecks, accidents or some other terrible something that Providence alone has control over. There will be many other attractions. Take it all in, five dollars worth of fun for only sixty cents and we pay the war tax besides.

PUBLIC SCHOOL TO OPEN  
SEPTEMBER 8th.

The Big Stone Gap public schools will open Monday, September 8th. The School Board has made an earnest effort to secure competent teachers, and it is hoped that the patrons will now lend their hearty cooperation toward making the school a success. One of the chief problems confronting us is that of securing suitable boarding places for teachers. We understand that some of the ladies of the community are making an effort to help solve this problem. Their interest in this matter will be greatly appreciated on the part of the school officials, and it is hoped that boarding accommodations may thus be secured for the teachers at reasonable rates.

Following is a list of the teachers who have been elected and who have accepted:

H. L. Sulfridge, principal.  
Mr. Sulfridge is a graduate of William & Mary College, Williamsburg, Virginia. He was principal of the Coeburn High School from 1909 to 1911, Stonega Graded and High School from 1911 to 1913, Appalachia High School from 1913 to 1918. Last year he held the position of rural supervisor for the Richmond and Gladeville districts. During the summers of 1918 and 1919 he was employed as instructor in the Radford State Normal School, Radford, Va. Mr. Sulfridge is a native of Wise county, and he understands the conditions and people of this section. His long service in the county is an evidence that his work has been generally satisfactory.

Miss Kate Lay, of Coeburn, Va., High School. Miss Lay is a graduate of Randolph Macon Woman's College, Lynchburg, Va.

Miss May Horton, of Pennington Gap High School. Miss Horton is a recent graduate of Farmville State Normal School.

Grammar Grade Teachers.—Miss Emma Duncan, Jonesville, Va.; Miss Margaret Allison, Pulaski, Va.; Miss Viola Jackson, Pulaski, Va.; Miss Flora Bruce, Big Stone Gap, Va.

Primary Department.—Miss Olga Horton, Big Stone Gap, Va.; Miss Lois Duff, Duffield, Va.; Mrs. W. B. Gilly, East Stone Gap, Va.; Miss Margaret Waller, Stuart, Va.

Cadet School.—Miss Margaret Leftwich, Benham, Va. In addition to above list, the board is attempting to secure a man for first assistant, also one other teacher for the grammar grades and one other for the primary department. Miss Dixon, who was re-elected to the position of household arts teacher has resigned; and, up to the present

time, the board has been unable to secure a teacher to take her place.  
SCHOOL BOARD,  
By J. S. Hamblen, Clerk.

## NOTICE!

To the Voters of the Richmond Magisterial District.  
I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Supervisor, for the Richmond Magisterial District, of Wise county, Virginia, election November 4th, 1919.

If elected I promise to serve the people of the district to the best of my ability and to handle all matters in a strict business and impartial way to the best interest of all the people.

Your vote and influence will be appreciated.  
Respectfully,  
E. C. MAINOUS.

## Party at Imboden.

Miss Eunice Augusta Darnell, who formerly lived in the Gap, but who now lives at Imboden, delightfully entertained a number of her Imboden friends at her home last Thursday evening in honor of her twentieth birthday.

The color scheme of yellow and white was carried out very attractively in the decorations of the home by vases of daisies and golden glow. Later during the evening, after the guests had played many enjoyable old and new games, they were served delicious refreshments, the color scheme being predominant.

Those present were Misses Anna Burchette, Dona Mae Sandridge, Bonnie Davis, May Pritchard, Nannie Bandy, Bonnie Barker, Laura Darnell and Mrs. Lon Ball.

Messrs "Dutch" Frost, Dave Barker, Will Caudle, Cleo Belcher, A. J. Horton and Gladstone Caudle.

## Delightful Camping Trip.

The Camp Fire Girls of this place spent last week camping at Holston Springs. Those in the party were: Misses Lucile and Irene Draper, Gladys Christy, Ruby Jenkins, Bonnie Catron, Clara Dowell and Georgia Seaton, with guardian, Miss Edna Catron. Chaperones: Misses Olga Horton, Cornelia and Aurelia Christy, Myrtle Nickles and Grace Wolfe.

The week was spent delightfully in taking hikes, autoing, rowing, swimming, fishing, telling ghost tales before the large camp fires and dancing the old Virginia reel to music made on stringed instruments and combs.

Mr. W. J. Draper, of Gate City, drove down each evening to partake of the feasts and guard off the spooks. They returned to their homes Saturday evening hoping that the Camp Fire Girls may continue to remain a strong band in their work and spend many more vacations just as pleasantly.

## Dance at Keokee.

On last Tuesday evening from nine o'clock p. m. until two o'clock a. m. the Keokee Athletic Association gave a delightful dance in honor of the Keokee base ball boys, at the Keokee hotel.

Watkins Jazz Orchestra, of Bluefield, furnished the music for the dancers, who danced in the large living room of the hotel. Later during the evening delicious brick ice cream and cake were served to the guests, who were from the Gap, Appalachia, Wise, Stonega and other points.

The chaperones for the occasion were Supt. and Mrs. Geo. R. Marrs, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Hurd, Mr. and Mrs. John Hixon, Mrs. P. W. Repass and Mrs. Grace Wells, all of Keokee, while the committee were A. H. Hurd, J. N. Donaldson, Crawford Ducre and T. T. Rees, Jr.

Those from the Gap who motored up to the dance were Misses Janet Bailey, Doris Warner, Edna Gilley, Edith and Ethel VanGorder, Mr. and Mrs. Walters, Messrs Guy Patrick, E. Fleming, Curtis Robins, Jas. Bellamy and W. H. Chapman.

The meeting that was planned to begin at the Christian Church on Sept. 8th is postponed indefinitely because recent happenings had made it impossible for Rev. W. P. Shamhart to be away from his pastoral duties.

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adv J. H. CATRON, President.

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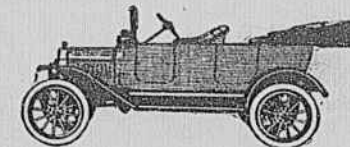
Notice is hereby given that the partnership lately subsisting between us, the undersigned W. M. Horner and Z. V. Gilliam, carrying on business in the town of Appalachia, Virginia, under the style of Palace Cafe, was on the 15th day of July, 1919, dissolved by mutual consent, and that the business in future will be carried on by Burley Graham alone, who will pay and discharge all debt and liabilities and receive all money payable to the said late firm.

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